

Mr. A. B. Salem.—It is a very important question. I think, therefore, you should exercise your discretion in favour of the motion.

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—I will get my file before 3 o'clock.

President.—And all the information available may be gathered; not that I have allowed this motion, but it is to know whether it is to be allowed or not.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—On a point of order. I understand from the statement of the Commissioner that cases have been registered. Are they only in the stage of investigation?

President.—Yes. Not in the Magistrate's Court.

Mr. Sheik Abdul Qadir Sahib Bahadur.—Even in the course of investigation, part of the records goes to the Magistrate, and I think we are not justified in discussing about cases under investigation.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Rule 7 (c) lays down that no question shall be asked on any matter under adjudication by a court of law having jurisdiction in Cochin. May I know whether anything is *sub judice*?

President.—The case has not been charged.

Mr. M. K. Raman.—I have nothing to do with the cases at all. I refer only to an executive order of the District Magistrate. My complaint is only against that. I don't care whether the case is charged or let off.

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—The District Magistrate is responsible for maintaining the peace of the country. He has got the right to pass any order urgently necessary to meet a situation, and I do not know whether we can interfere with his order.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—What we are concerned with here is whether the rights enjoyed for a long time by a certain section of the Hindu community have been revoked by the Government order. If it is so, we want to know why such an order has been passed. We have nothing to do with the order of the District Magistrate.

President.—Please try to get all information, and, if necessary, the Cochin Magistrate may be consulted, so that, to-morrow, we must have all available information, both from the Revenue and from the Police Members, to decide the question.

Voting of Demands for Supplementary Grants.

President.—The next item of business is 'Demands for Supplementary Grants.' The Secretary to the Diwan will move for an additional allotment.